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## **Sen. Brown announces \$679,000 awarded to 16th Senate District for transportation projects**

**LANSING** – Motorists in the 16th Senate District will benefit from \$679,000 in grants to expand and preserve the secondary all-season road network, announced state Sen. Cameron S. Brown, R-Fawn River Township.

A Category F grant totaling \$375,000 will be used for Beecher Street in Adrian, while Hillsdale will receive a \$304,000 Category F grant will for Barr Street and Mechanic Road.

“This is great news for motorists in Adrian and Hillsdale,” Brown said. “It is important to use all resources possible to ensure our roadways are in good repair for safety and economic growth.”

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation, Category F grants from the Transportation Economic Development Fund are made available to urban areas located in rural counties.

The Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) was created to assist in the funding of highway, road, and street projects necessary to support economic growth. The TEDF provides for the distribution of money to counties and municipalities through three formulas and two grant programs. During its first 10 years of operation, 1988 to 1998, the TEDF invested more than \$800 million in road improvement projects across the state.

The fund, which is administered by the Transportation Economic Development and Enhancement Office, helps state government, local agencies and businesses work together to meet the extensive and urgent demands placed upon the transportation system by economic development throughout the state.

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